

JayCettes Prepare for Saturday Dance



CORNSTALK CREW . . . Gathering cornstalks and other Thanksgiving decor for next Saturday night's Junior Chamber of Commerce dance are, left to right, Mesdames Dick Beecher, Walt Sharon and Don Loy, members of the Jay-

Cettes, who will decorate the Moose hall for the affair. Distaff side is getting a break on admission deal: ladies will be charged one cent for each inch of their height while men will fork over \$1 to dance to the music of Les Trousers.

(Herald Photo)

Y OBSERVES FIRST ANNIVERSARY WITH TALK BY DIRECTOR

"We have been in our Torrance YWCA building one year today," said Mrs. Joseph Lukes, local YWCA branch director, at last Tuesday's meeting of the branch committee on administration.

"During the year the YWCA as a membership organization has become more real to its members as the first annual meeting of the Torrance Branch was held here," she stated.

The director continued her talk by citing use of the building by Y-teen and adult groups for socials, ceremonies, and service work, and told of work done to improve the building by both girls and leaders.

With the help of adults, she said, Y-teens have included among their service projects

this past year caroling to shut-ins, calling on shut-ins, making scrap books for the use of visiting teachers, sending chocolates to foreign countries, hemming towels for the hospital, and serving as Community Chest aids.

"In addition to this," she concluded, "many community groups such as T.E.A.C., the Business and Professional Women's Club, Garden Club, and B'nai B'rith, have found a meeting place at the Y. Two Community Chest kickoff meetings have been held here."

Following Mrs. Lukes' talk, Phelan Foley, chairman of the world fellowship committee, revealed tentative plans for a local World Fellowship observance combined with the Y Christmas celebration slated for Dec. 12, 7:30 p. m., at the Y building.

Reports also were made by Mesdames L. A. McCoy, ways and means; Marylyn Porter, house; Walter Levy, membership; A. E. Palmer, food; Lee Stamps, finance; and Walter Silence, remembrance.

Junior Women Will Hostess District Meet

The Junior Women will hostess a district meeting on Nov. 24 at the Los Angeles District Conference of W.C. to be held at the Civic Auditorium at 8 p. m. It is expected that about 400 Juniors from all over the district will attend and the Torrance members are sincerely urged to come and are invited to bring guests, Mrs. Howard Percy, publicity chairman, said.

Mrs. Eugene Hott, the Los Angeles District president, will preside. Mrs. Douglas P. Baldwin, president of the Torrance club, will welcome the guests and introduce the senior president and advisors.

The guest speaker of the evening will be Mrs. Arthur Crum, who has the distinction of being the first junior member to be appointed to the board of the General Federation of Women's Clubs and also is a past president for the State of California Federation of Women's Clubs.

Barbara Terry, talented young pianist, will entertain with two selections. Miss Terry may be remembered as the girl who played at last year's fashion show in Glendale.

WILLIAM GRAFTS TELL BIRTH OF DAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. William Graft, 1270 W. Pacific Coast Hwy., Harbor City, are announcing the arrival of a new daughter, Diane Marie.

The 7 lb. 2 oz. infant was born Oct. 11 and joins two other children, William Gay, 3½, and Sheryl Lyn, 2½.

Graft is employed at Douglas Aircraft Co. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Graft, 1270 W. Pacific Coast Hwy., and Mrs. Donald Wieda, Grand Rapids, Mich., are grandparents.

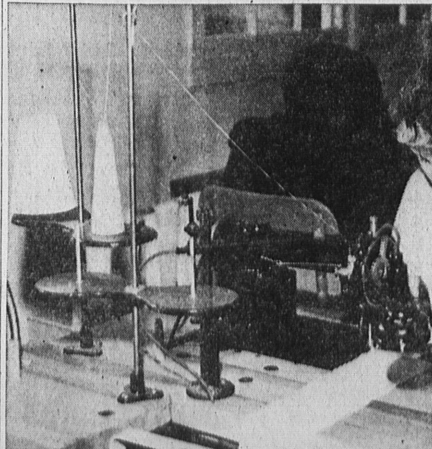
'Moms' Elect, Install Next Tuesday Eve

Officers for 1953 will be elected and installed at next Tuesday's 8 p. m. meeting of the local chapter of American War Mothers, Inc., at the court room of Torrance City Hall.

A class of new members will be obligated by Julia Wagner, national vice-president, who will also head the installing team.



BLIND HEMMER . . . Mrs. Angus McVicar, wife of the city water commissioner, is operating a blind hemmer, one of the many machines which students in an apparel manufacturing course at El Camino College learn to use. This is Mrs. McVicar's first course in sewing, although she has been a busy stitcher on her own, and she hopes someday to be a professional sewer. She lives with her husband and four children, Patsy, 20; Joanne, 17; Earl, 10; and Helen, 7, at 2562 Torrance Blvd. (Milt Svensk photo).



POWER . . . Miss Claudette Buckley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Smith, 1521 Crenshaw Blvd., is one of many students at El Camino College learning to operate power sewing machines. A June '52 graduate of Torrance High School, this gal is a freshman at the college and is taking home-making as her major. (Milt Svensk photo).

186th St. PTA Will Hostess Council Meet

Members of 186th St. Parent-Teacher Association will be hostesses to the Gardena-Wilmington Council PTA tomorrow at Teenage Community House, 1651 Market St., Gardena.

Guest speaker will be Mrs. Laurence B. Martin, second vice-president of Tenth District PTA.

Membership posters submitted by units will be judged, with ribbons awarded to first, second, and third, and honorable mention given in two classes membership posters and child appeal membership posters.

Posters receiving first place ribbons will be eligible to be entered in the Tenth District poster contest, to be held Feb. 9, 1953, at the Health Center Building Auditorium.

Luncheon will be served following the meeting.

Council held a publicity workshop Wednesday of last week at the home of Mrs. James A. Gauley, president, 1460 W. 183rd St., Gardena.

Techniques of press writing and suggestions for improving parent-teacher publicity were presented by Mrs. B. H. Cotran, council publicity chairman. Mrs. Harry Peterson, council record book chairman, directed instruction in compiling a PTA record book as a valuable history of activities during the year.

Information on the value of pictures used with parent-teacher publicity was presented by Mrs. Robert Buck, Council photographer.

MILLION DOLLAR APPAREL INDUSTRY GETS ACCENT AT EL CAMINO COLLEGE

The clothes we wear on our backs are providing a gross volume of approximately \$500,000,000 for the California apparel manufacturing industry, it was released this week.

Head of the manufacturing group releasing the item said the industry, composed of 390,000 employees more than 60,000 in the Los Angeles area alone.

With this area for potential employment, it's easy to see why instruction for prospective workers in the clothing trade is one of the major areas in the El Camino College division of business and industry.

Dr. William H. Harless, director of instruction, said this week: "One of the main objectives of this college is to keep step with the needs of the community. For that reason courses in apparel manufacturing are being offered. We have evidence which shows that this is an area of potential employment which the college ought not to overlook as it builds its program of instruction."

Mrs. Eugenia M. Smith, according to Dr. Harless, is the instructor for the courses in clothing pattern-making and drafting and power machine sewing. She has had several years experience in the industry as well as teaching experience.

SWIM SUITS SOAR . . . Mrs. Smith emphasized the point made by Dr. Harless concerning the need for apparel manufacturing workers by citing as example the \$21,000,000 swim suit sale goal named by one local firm for 1953.

"We continually hear complaints of chronic worker shortages in the needle trades," Mrs.

L. A. SECOND . . . Los Angeles today ranks as the second largest apparel manufacturing center in the world," Mrs. Smith said, in quoting a report published by the Market Planning Division of the National Credit Office of Dunn and Bradstreet. "It is second only to New York, both in number of firms, unit production, and dollar sales."

"In the dress industry alone, Los Angeles has 374 firms with annual sales of \$135,000,000. Less than one-third of these manufacturers have been in business for more than 10 years. This is characteristic of the entire apparel field in Los Angeles."

In the coat and suit industry, Los Angeles had 192 firms at the last count, with the number still increasing. Total sales are well above \$70,000,000, Mrs. Smith said.

"El Camino College is located near a rapidly-expanding industrial district," Mrs. Smith said, "which includes a number of firms doing apparel manufacturing."

"We feel the college has an obligation to serve the community to the best of its ability, and this is one area in which the college is prepared to do an outstanding job."

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Hospital Aides Hold Luncheon Meeting



DOCTORS' WIVES . . . Among those lunching and chatting at Tuesday's Hospital Auxiliary meeting at the Fish Shanty were these wives of local doctors: left to right, Mesdames John Beeman, George C. Anderson, and Frederick Ewens. Guest speaker at this first meeting of the group this year was Mrs. William H. Rambo, past president of the Hawthorne Hospital Auxiliary, who told of her organization's work in obtaining hospital funds. Local Auxiliary will stage a Valentine dance next February to raise revenue for Torrance Memorial Hospital equipment.

(Herald Photo)

Life In Germany Is Shown Harbor City PTA Members

Thanksgiving motif featured last Thursday's meeting of the Harbor City Parent-Teacher Association meeting, conducted by Mrs. Ray Groover, president.

Program highlighted a talk by Bert Durst, graduate of the University of South Dakota, who has served as a schoolteacher for the children of service personnel in Germany during the past year.

Durst supplemented his talk with colored slides depicting the lives of German folk, the many parades, school buildings, and homes. He was introduced by Harold Ball.

Miss Eunice Bobo's B-545 class presented several songs, "Down in Mexico," "Steal Away," and "Erie Canal." Mrs. Cal Gregory, program chairman, introduced this portion of the evening show.

Winston Scott, principal, announced that school children are raising 35 chickens for the 4th graduation class dinner on Jan. 28, 1953.

Miss Bobo's class won the prize for having the most parents in attendance.

Faculty members serving as hostesses during the social hour following the meeting were Mesdames Mary Griff, Marian White, Alice Godall, Violet Crawford, Manuella Matute, Julia Cucci, Cleone Isom, Gertrude Crum, Fern Richards, Ida Ellis, Nellie Parker, and Miss Bobo, and Messrs. William Cleary, Ball, and John Young.

Mesdames Groover and Gregory poured. Mrs. James Alexander was in charge of child care.

PTA Hears Safety Talk

W. A. Feathers, introduced by Principal D. Boone Kirk, enlightened Walteria Parent-Teacher Association members on safety last Thursday at a meeting held at 7:30 p. m. in the school kindergarten room.

Feathers supplemented his talk with a film, "Freedon's Highway."

Six fifth grade students of Dale Wickstrom gave a demonstration of manuscript writing and explained why it is being used in schools today.

Musical interlude was provided by Harold Holmes, who played a clarinet solo. He was assisted by Mary Lou Hutchison at the piano. Both performers are students at Torrance High School.

Evening concluded with community singing conducted by Mrs. Robert Cramer.

ly of Mr. and Mrs. Roy K. Hinkle, 20926 Brighton Ave. The infant joined Timmy, 4, and Jojo, 2, at 6:01 a. m. Nov. 12. Father is employed as a carpenter with the Macco Corp. in Paramount. Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Hinkle and Mrs. Willie Bowman, live in Helton, Ind., respectively.

QES Fetes '52 Leaders Tonight at 8

Worthy Matron Alethea Smith and Worthy Patron Floyd Mead and their corps of officers and hostesses will be honored as they preside for the last time tonight at Farewell Night ceremonies of Torrance Chapter No. 380, Order of the Eastern Star. Meeting will begin at 8 p. m. at the Masonic Temple on Sartori Ave.

Jane Stamper, chairman for the evening, revealed that surprises are in store. Members of the chapter and visiting members of the Order are invited to attend.

New officers will be installed next Saturday, Nov. 22, at 8 p. m. rites in the Masonic Temple. Affair is open to the public.

TROOP 936 INVESTS 5

Five girls advanced into Intermediate Girl Scout Troop 936, sponsored by the Torrance Elementary P.T.A., at ceremonies held last Friday evening at the school auditorium.

Invested were Donna Dunklin, Louise Otterstein, Mary Durazkowski, Karen Korh, and Marie Cowan.

Mrs. Stanley Larsen, investing officer, pinned Girl Scout Emblems on the girls following their introduction by Mrs. E. K. Cunningham.

A brief program held after the ceremonies featured accordion solos by Emily Greer and a skit by members of the Troop.

Evening concluded with refreshments being served by Kiyoko Takeuchi and Gay Larsen.